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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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Please amend claims 6-9, 12, 15, 18, 22-24, 26 and 27, such that the status of the claims
is as follows:
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6. (Currently Amended) A device for moistening a <u>cleanroom</u> material <u>used in a cleanroor</u>
to a target saturation level, the device comprising:
a chamber;
a rack positioned in the chamber for holding the cleanroom material;
a liquid supply of a liquid;
an applicator in the chamber for applying the liquid to the <u>cleanroom</u> material;
a delivery system for delivering the liquid from the supply to the applicator; and
a control system for controlling the amount of liquid applied to the <u>cleanroom</u>
material based on a parameter related to the target saturation level of the
<u>cleanroom material.</u>

7. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 6 wherein the control system controls the amount of liquid dispensed to the <u>cleanroom</u> material as a function of electrical conductivity of the <u>cleanroom</u> material.

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- 8. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 6 wherein the control system controls the amount of liquid dispensed to the <u>cleanroom</u> material as a function in mass of the <u>cleanroom</u> material.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 6 wherein the control system controls the amount of liquid dispensed to the <u>cleanroom</u> material as a function of a time duration.
- 10. (Original) The device of claim 6 wherein the rack is centrally positioned within the chamber.
- 11. (Original) The device of claim 6 wherein the applicator includes a pump for pumping the liquid under pressure and a nozzle for applying the liquid.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 6 wherein the control system includes a pump control for controlling the amount of liquid applied to the <u>cleanroom</u> material.
- 13. (Original) The device of claim 6 wherein the control system includes a user interface for providing a user input signal representing the target saturation level.
- 14. (Original) The device of claim 6 wherein the control system includes a feedback sensor for providing a feedback signal representing the parameter.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 6 wherein the control system includes a shut off sensor for providing a signal to the control system to disengage from the application of liquid to the <u>cleanroom</u> material when the chamber is in an open position.
- 16. (Original) The device of claim 6 wherein the chamber has a drain for draining excess liquid.

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17. (Original) The device of claim 16 wherein the drain leads to a liquid collection system.

18. (Currently Amended) A device for moistening a <u>cleanroom</u> material used in a cleanroom, the device comprising:

a rack for holding the cleanroom material;

an applicator spaced from and directed toward the rack for applying a liquid to the <u>cleanroom</u> material; and

a control system for controlling application of liquid to the <u>cleanroom</u> material based on a desired saturation level of the <u>cleanroom</u> material.

- 19. (Original) The device of claim 18 wherein the applicator is movable with respect to the rack.
- 20. (Original) The device of claim 18 wherein the applicator comprises a plurality of nozzles.
- 21. (Original) The device of claim 18 wherein the plurality of nozzles has a first set of nozzles positioned above the rack and a second set of nozzles positioned below the rack.
- 22. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 18 wherein the control system controls the amount of liquid dispensed to the <u>cleanroom</u> material as a function of conductivity of the <u>cleanroom</u> material.
- 23. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 18 wherein the control system controls the amount of liquid dispensed to the <u>cleanroom</u> material as a function of mass of the <u>cleanroom</u> material.
- 24. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 18 wherein the control system controls the amount of liquid dispensed to the <u>cleanroom</u> material as a function of time.

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25. (Original) The device of claim 18 wherein the machine has a drainage and collection system.

26. (Currently Amended) A device for moistening a <u>cleanroom</u> material used in a cleanroom to a desired saturation level, the device comprising:

a chamber;

a rack positioned in the chamber for holding the <u>cleanroom</u> material;

an applicator for applying liquid to the cleanroom material;

a user interface for providing a user input signal;

a feedback system for providing a feedback signal which is a function of the saturation level of the cleanroom material; and

a control system for controlling the amount of liquid applied to the <u>cleanroom</u> material as a function of the user input signal and the feedback signal.

27. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 26 further comprising a pressure applicator for applying pressure to the <u>cleanroom</u> material to reduce liquid content of the <u>cleanroom</u> material.